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Testimony was heard from Chairman Kline; Rep. George Miller of California; Rep. Andrews; and Rep. Bishop of New York.

FOSTERING QUALITY SCIENCE AT EPA

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled "Fostering Quality Science at EPA: The Need for Common Sense Reform." Testimony was heard from Paul Anastas, Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development, Environmental Protection Agency; David Trimble, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and Arthur Elkins, Jr., Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

REGULATIONS ON FAMILY FARMERS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled "Adrift in New Regulatory Burdens and Uncertainty: A Review of Proposed and Potential Regulations on Family Farmers." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL TAX REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on the international tax reform discussion draft released on October 26, 2011 by the Committee on Ways and Means. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing on ongoing intelligence activities. This was a closed hearing.

Joint Meetings

TAX REFORM

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine if tax reform can boost business investment and job creation, after receiving testimony from Stephen J. Entin, Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation, Chad Stone, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, and Seth Hanlon, Center for American Progress Action Fund, all of

Washington, D.C.; and Dan R. Mastromarco, Argus Group, Arlington, Virginia.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1201)

H.R. 368, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts. Signed on November 9, 2011. (Public Law 112–51)

H.R. 818, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District. Signed on November 9, 2011. (Public Law 112–52)

S. 894, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2011, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans. Signed on November 9, 2011. (Public Law 112–53)

S. 1487, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to establish a program to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards. Signed on November 12, 2011. (Public Law 112–54)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Panel on Business Challenges within the Defense Industry, hearing on Creating a 21st Century Defense Industry, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, hearing entitled "Internet Gaming: Regulating in an Online World." 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, continue hearing entitled "ANWR: Jobs, Energy and Deficit Reduction." 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on the following: the "American-Made Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Act"; the "Alaskan Energy for American Jobs Act"; "Protecting Investment in Oil Shale the Next Generation of Environmental, Energy, and Resource Security Act;" and the "Coal Miner Employment and Domestic Energy Infrastructure Protection Act."